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File:

Office: VERMONT SERVICE CENTER

Date: AUG 20 2003

IN RE: Petitioner:  
Beneficiary:

Petition: Petition for Special Immigrant Religious Worker Pursuant to Section 203(b)(4) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act), 8 U.S.C. § 1153(b)(4), as described at Section 101(a)(27)(C) of the Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(27)(C)

ON BEHALF OF PETITIONER:

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INSTRUCTIONS:

This is the decision in your case. All documents have been returned to the office that originally decided your case. Any further inquiry must be made to that office.

If you believe the law was inappropriately applied or the analysis used in reaching the decision was inconsistent with the information provided or with precedent decisions, you may file a motion to reconsider. Such a motion must state the reasons for reconsideration and be supported by any pertinent precedent decisions. Any motion to reconsider must be filed within 30 days of the decision that the motion seeks to reconsider, as required under 8 C.F.R. § 103.5(a)(1)(i).

If you have new or additional information that you wish to have considered, you may file a motion to reopen. Such a motion must state the new facts to be proved at the reopened proceeding and be supported by affidavits or other documentary evidence. Any motion to reopen must be filed within 30 days of the decision that the motion seeks to reopen, except that failure to file before this period expires may be excused in the discretion of the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services (Bureau) where it is demonstrated that the delay was reasonable and beyond the control of the applicant or petitioner. *Id.*

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*Cindy N. Gomez for*  
Robert P. Wiemann, Director  
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**DISCUSSION:** The immigrant visa petition was denied by the Director, Vermont Service Center. The matter is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be summarily dismissed.

The petitioner seeks classification of the beneficiary as a special immigrant religious worker pursuant to section 203(b)(4) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the "Act"), 8 U.S.C. § 1153(b)(4). The director determined that the petitioner had not established that it was a bona fide non-profit religious organization. The director also determined that the petitioner had not established that the beneficiary was qualified to perform the religious work, and that the petitioner had not established that the position qualified as that of a religious vocation or occupation.

Upon review of the record, it is furthermore determined that the petitioner has not established that the beneficiary had been engaged continuously in a qualifying religious vocation or occupation for two full years immediately preceding the filing of the petition.

On appeal, the petitioner indicates on Form I-290B that a brief would be submitted within 30 days from September 1, 2002. To date no brief or additional evidence has been received.

Pursuant to 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(1)(v), an officer to whom an appeal is taken shall summarily dismiss any appeal when the party concerned fails to identify specifically any erroneous conclusion of law or statement of fact for the appeal.

Although the instant appeal is summarily dismissed in view of the petitioner's lack of submission of additional evidence on appeal, it is noted that the petitioner submitted evidence with the initial petition, and that the foregoing additional reason for denial of this petition was not addressed.

Inasmuch as counsel or the petitioner have failed to identify specifically an erroneous conclusion of law or statement of fact, the appeal will be summarily dismissed.

**ORDER:** The appeal is summarily dismissed.